RESOLUTION NO. 2006-54

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1554 REGARDING LOCAL PUBLICLY OWNED ELECTRIC UTILITIES: COST RESPONSIBILITY SURCHARGE (EXIT FEES)

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi operates a municipal electric utility, which provides electric service to its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi annexes unpopulated and undeveloped territory to encourage and accommodate orderly commercial and residential growth; and

WHEREAS, the economy of the State of California needs such growth; and

WHEREAS, the electricity rates of California's investor-owned electric utilities are artificially high as the State seeks to recover from the energy crisis of 2000-2001; and

WHEREAS, high electricity costs hinder economic growth; and

WHEREAS, decisions of the California Public Utilities Commission to artificially increase the price of electricity for new customers of the City of Lodi's electric utility in newly annexed areas of the city are unwarranted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Lodi strongly supports Senate Bill 1554 (Bowen) and urges its passage by the California State Legislature.

Dated: April 5, 2006

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2006-54 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held April 5, 2006, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS - Hansen, Johnson, Mounce, and

Mayor Hitchcock

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS - Beckman

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

SUSAN J. BLACKSTON

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City Clerk